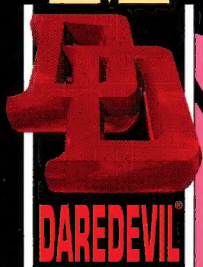


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# DAREDEVIL

HEAD  
TO HEAD  
WITH  
SPIDER-  
MAN!

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**STAN LEE PRESENTS THE MARVELOUS MAN WITHOUT FEAR!**

ANOTHER  
BRILLIANT IDEA,  
MR. MURDOCK!

NOTHING LIKE  
GETTING OUT OF THE  
OFFICE FOR A QUICK  
SWING AROUND TOWN  
TO CLEAR COBWEBS OUT  
OF THE OL' HORNHEAD!

DOESN'T SOLVE  
A SINGLE PROBLEM--  
BUT IT SURE MAKES  
YOU FEEL GREAT  
TO BE ALIVE!

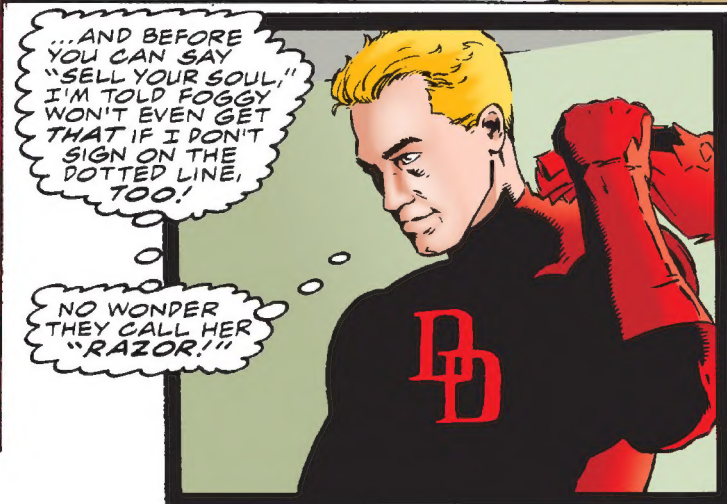
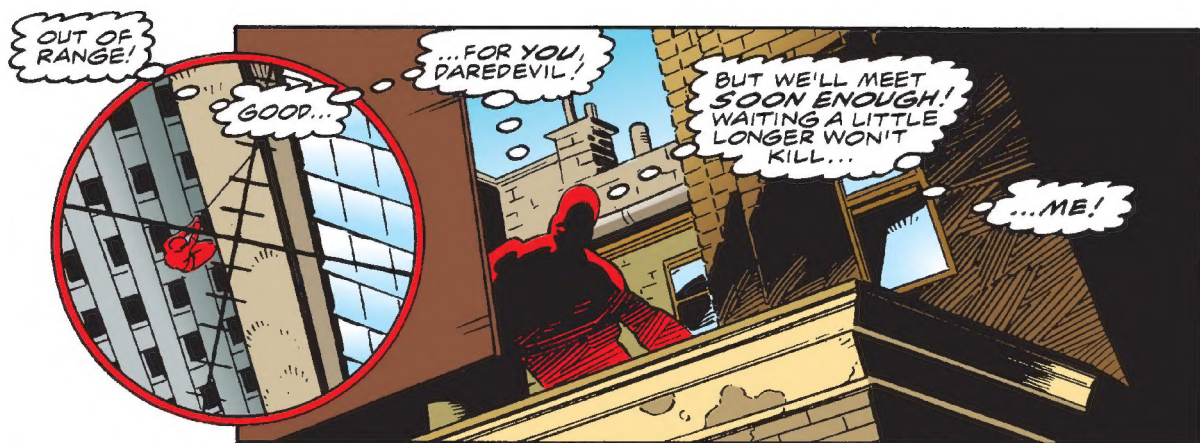
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**SPIDER-MAN**

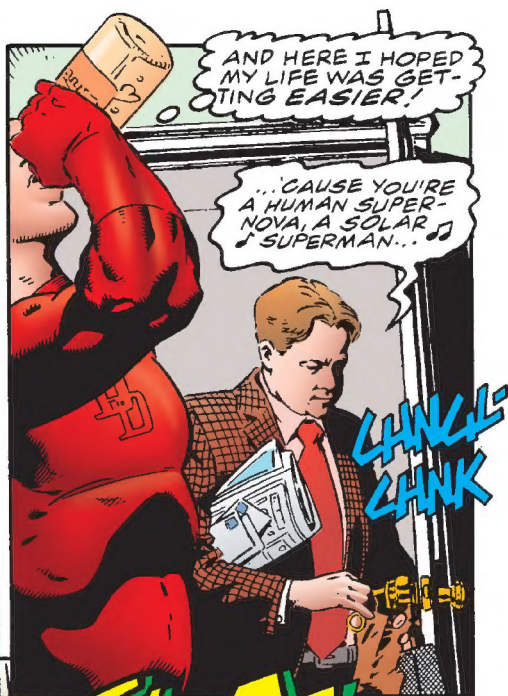
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**MATT!?!**

HEY, FOGGY.

Y-YOUR COSTUME!

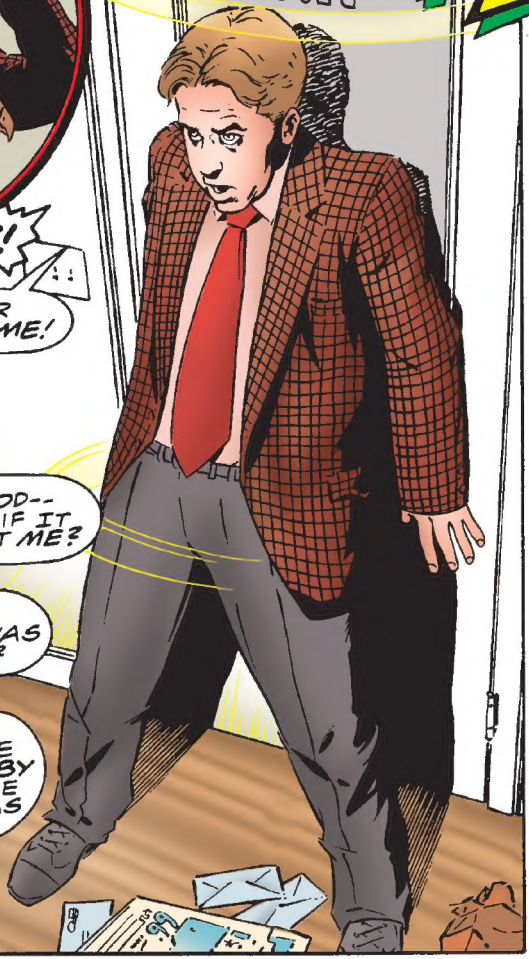
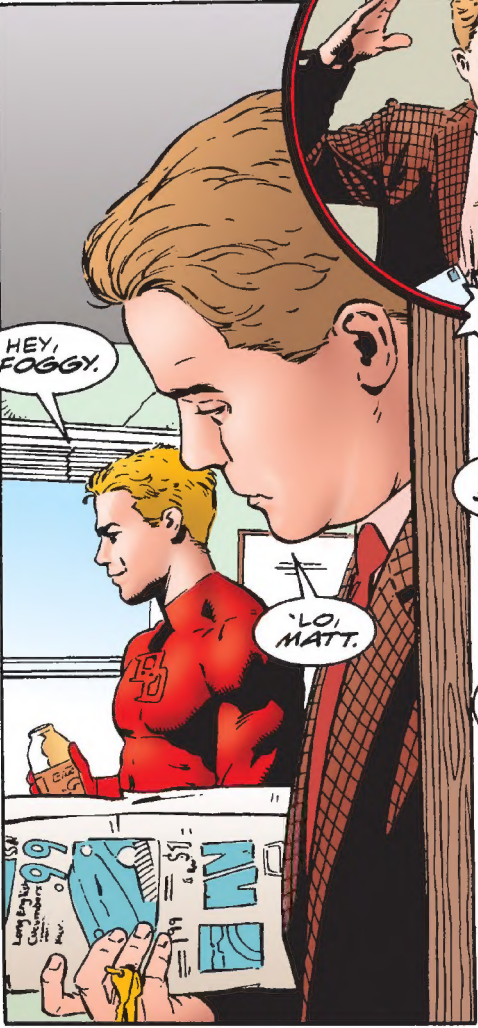
YOUR SECRET!

MY GOD-- WHAT IF IT WASN'T ME?

WHAT IF SOMEONE WAS WITH ME?

WHAT IF SOMEONE WALKED BY WHILE THE DOOR WAS OPEN?

'LO, MATT.





THE WINDOWS! CAN'T YOU SEE SOMEONE COULD LOOK IN THE WINDOWS?!

SLOW DOWN, QUICK-SILVER!

FIRST--I'M BLIND, REMEMBER? SECOND--I'VE GOT HEIGHT-ENED SENSES.

I KNEW IT WAS YOU AND YOU ALONE IN THE HALLWAY BECAUSE I COULD HEAR YOUR DISTINCTIVE HEARTBEAT.

AND THE SUN'S GLARE ON THE WINDOWS MAKES IT IMPOSSIBLE TO SEE IN--KAREN HELPED ME CHECK THAT.

OH, WELL...

LOOKS LIKE THE JOKE'S ON FOGGY NELSON AGAIN, HUH?

'COURSE, I'M PRETTY SURE ROSALIND SHARPE WON'T APPRECIATE THIS KIND OF THING...UNLESS SHE KNOWS YOU'RE DAREDEVIL, TOO?

THAT'S NOT FAIR, FOGGY. YOU KNOW I--

NEVER MIND.

LISTEN. WE HAVE TO TALK ABOUT ROSALIND'S OFFER. HOW WELL DO YOU REALLY KNOW HER?

OH, UM...GEE, NOT AS WELL AS I'D LIKE TO...

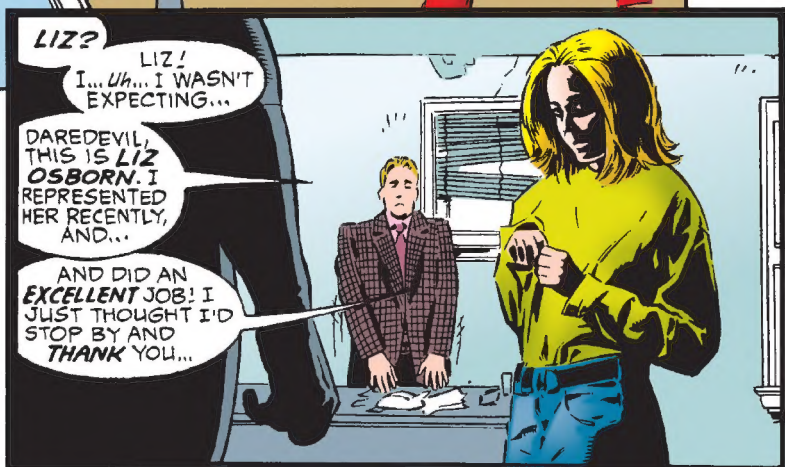
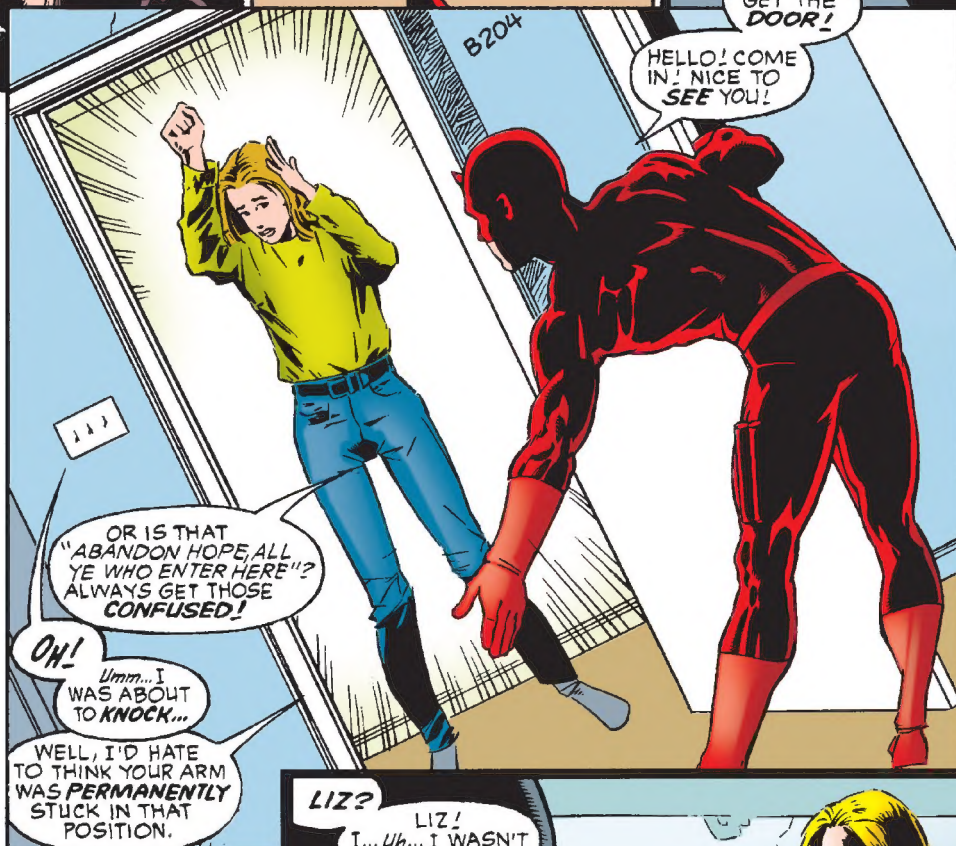
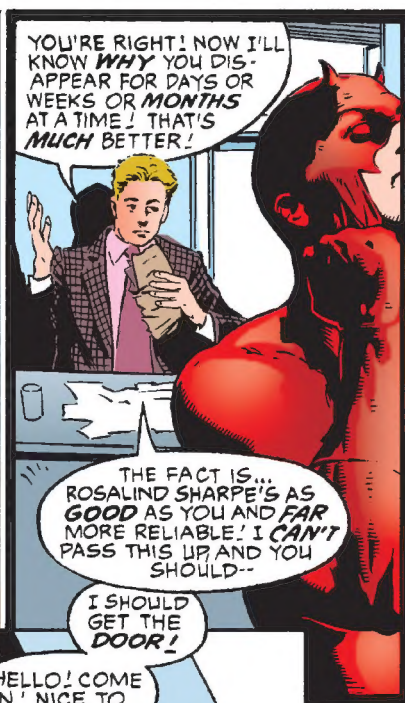
I MEAN, I'VE KNOWN OF HER FOR A LONG TIME...AND SHE IS ONE OF THE TOP LAWYERS IN THE COUNTRY!

TRUTH IS--SHE'S THE REASON I BECAME AN ATTORNEY IN THE FIRST PLACE.

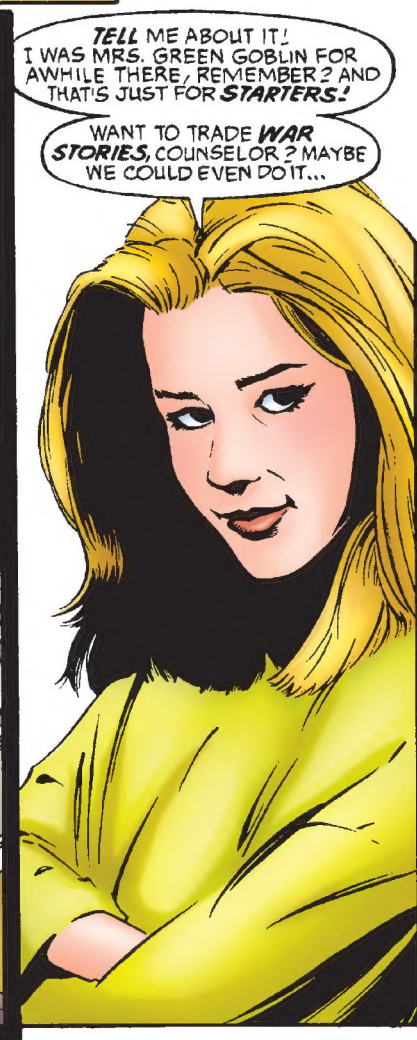
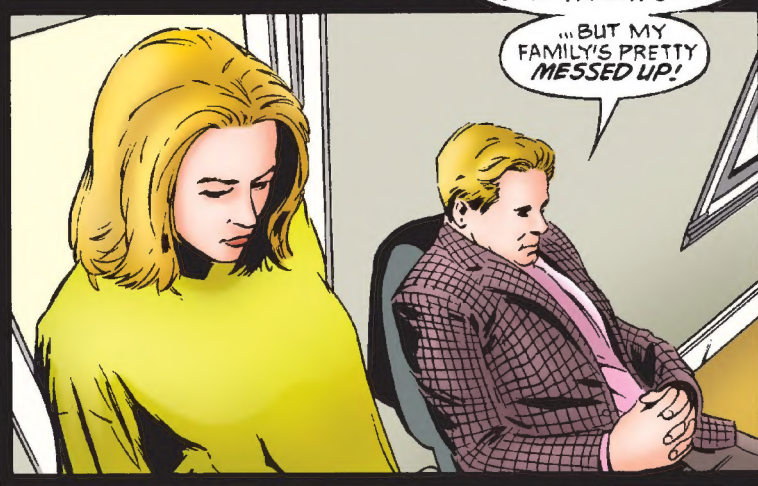
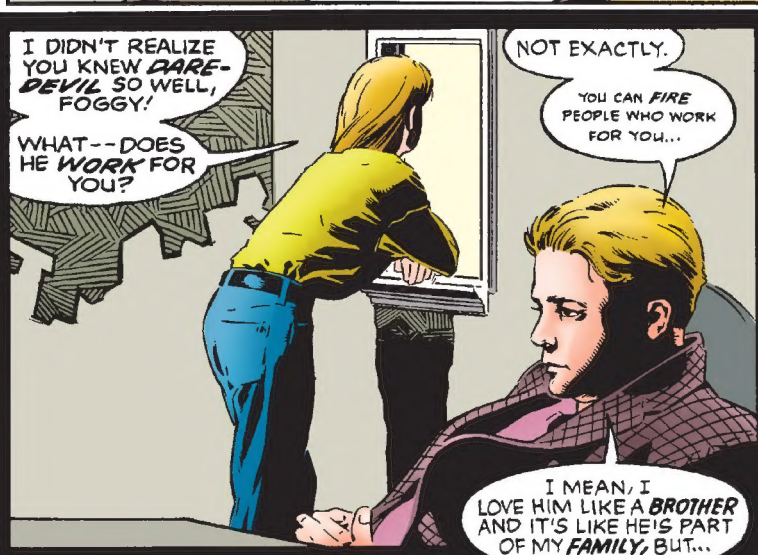
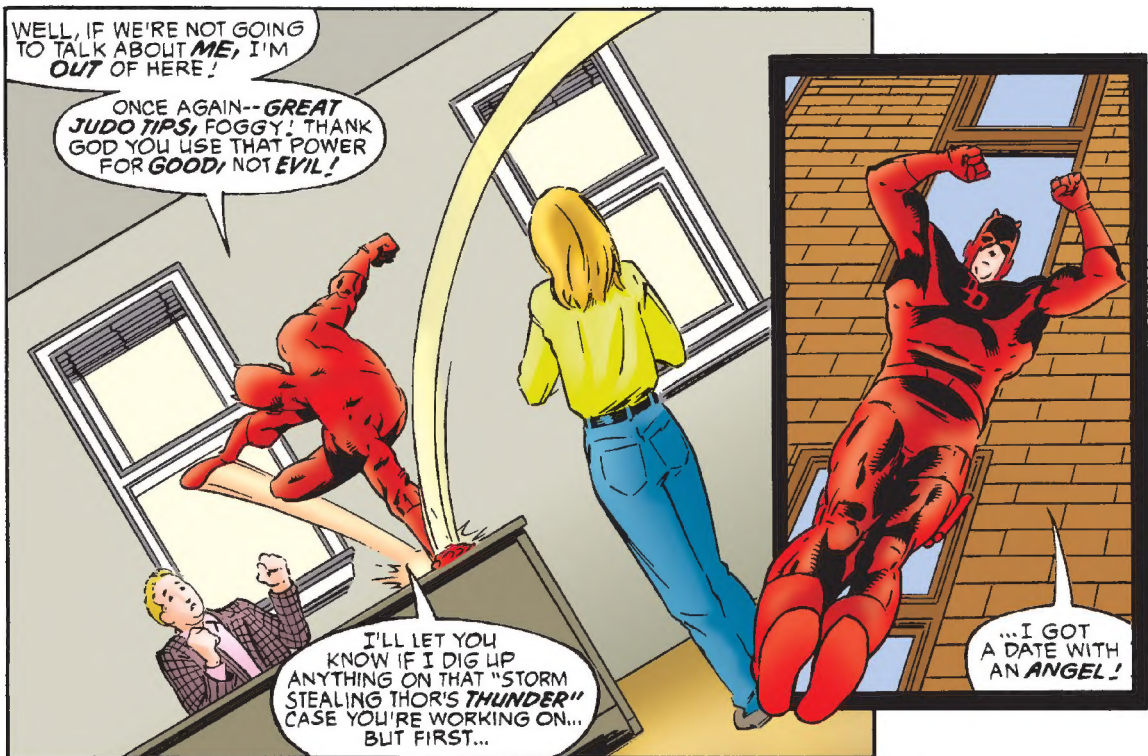
REALLY? YOU NEVER MENTIONED THAT BEFORE, FOGGY... NEVER MENTIONED HER BEFORE...

WHY DO I GET THE FEELING THERE'S SOMETHING YOU'RE NOT TELLING ME?









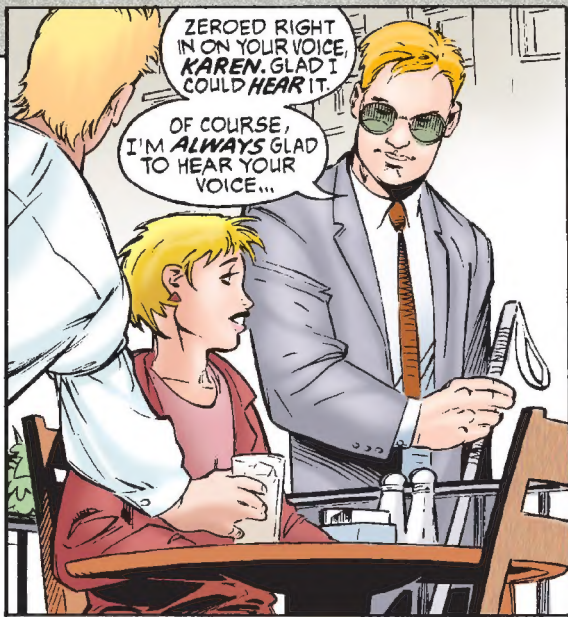




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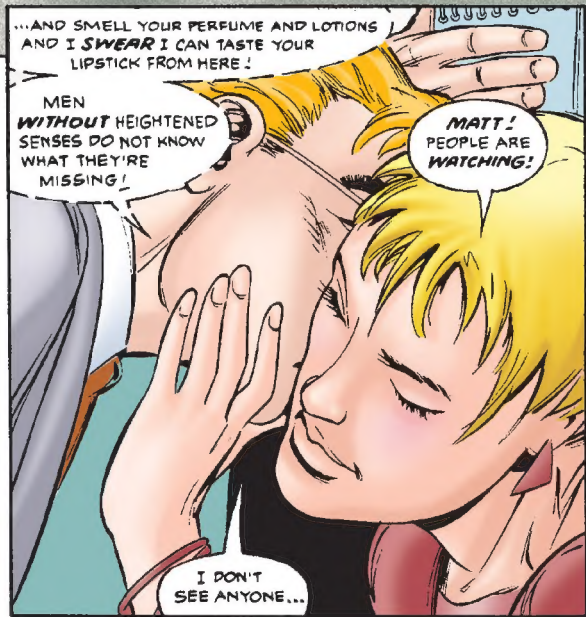
-- WAITING FOR SOMEONE, WAITER. HE SHOULD BE HERE ANY MINUTE.

CORRECTION-- IS HERE **NOW!**



ZEROED RIGHT IN ON YOUR VOICE, **KAREN**. GLAD I COULD **HEAR** IT.

OF COURSE, I'M **ALWAYS** GLAD TO HEAR YOUR VOICE...

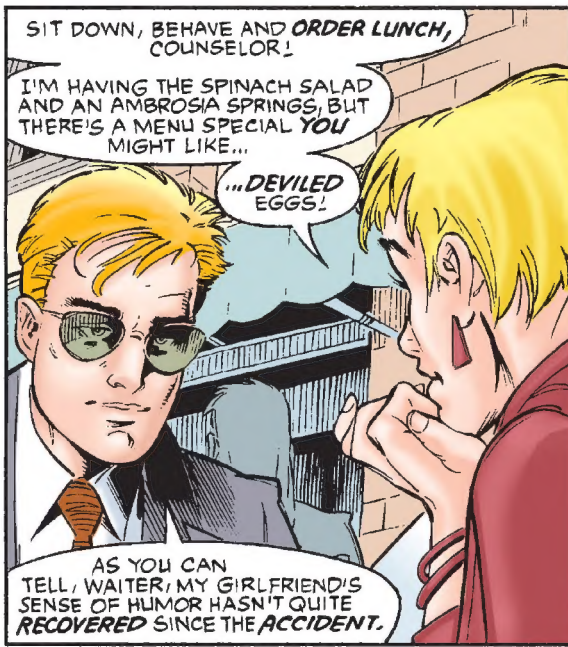


...AND SMELL YOUR PERFUME AND LOTIONS AND I **SWEAR** I CAN TASTE YOUR LIPSTICK FROM HERE!

MEN **WITHOUT** HEIGHTENED SENSES DO NOT KNOW WHAT THEY'RE MISSING!

**MATT!** PEOPLE ARE **WATCHING!**

I DON'T SEE ANYONE...

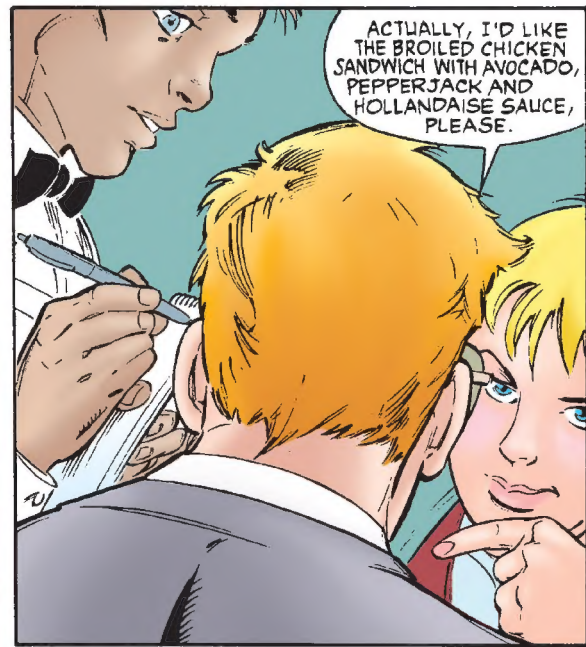


SIT DOWN, BEHAVE AND **ORDER LUNCH**, COUNSELOR!

I'M HAVING THE SPINACH SALAD AND AN AMBROSIA SPRINGS, BUT THERE'S A MENU SPECIAL **YOU** MIGHT LIKE...

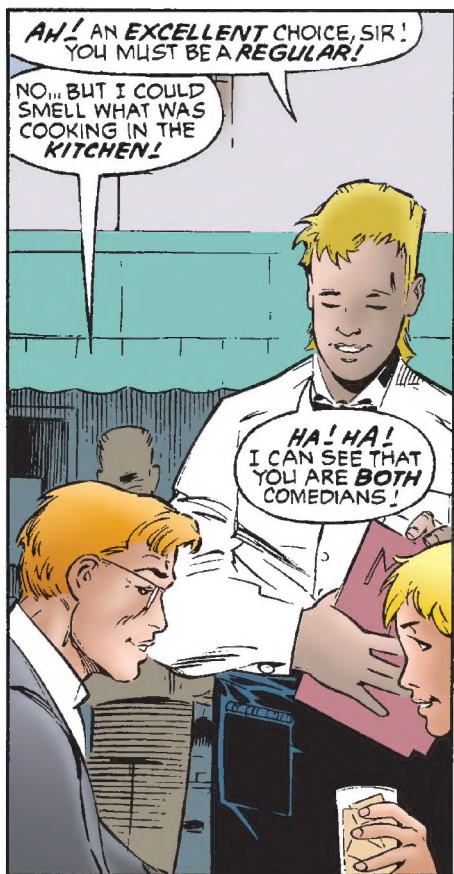
...**DEVILED EGGS!**

AS YOU CAN TELL, WAITER, MY GIRLFRIEND'S SENSE OF HUMOR HASN'T QUITE **RECOVERED** SINCE THE **ACCIDENT**.



ACTUALLY, I'D LIKE THE BROILED CHICKEN SANDWICH WITH AVOCADO, PEPPERJACK AND HOLLANDAISE SAUCE, PLEASE.

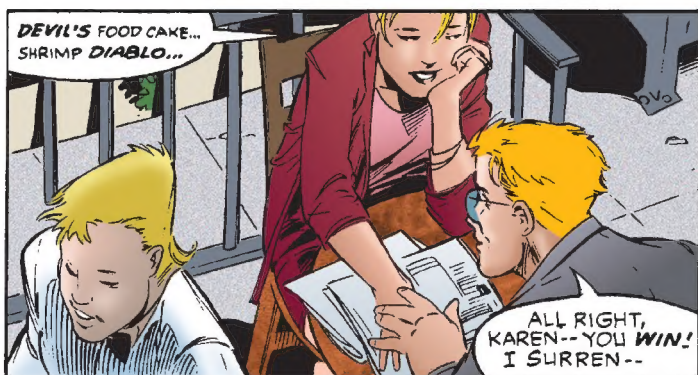




AH! AN EXCELLENT CHOICE, SIR!  
YOU MUST BE A REGULAR!

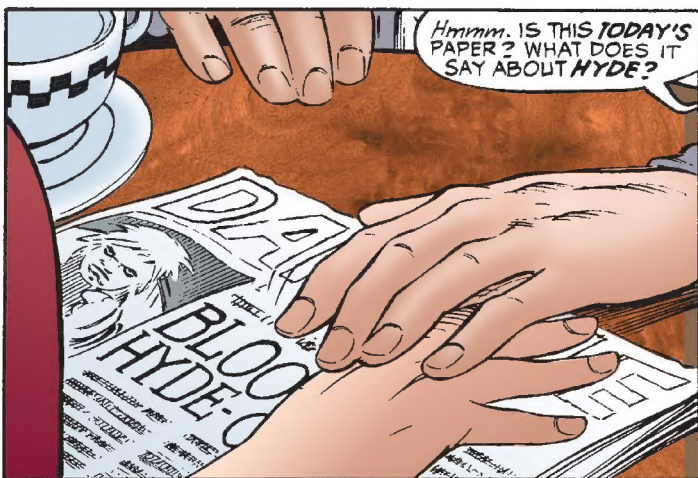
NO... BUT I COULD  
SMELL WHAT WAS  
COOKING IN THE  
KITCHEN!

HA! HA!  
I CAN SEE THAT  
YOU ARE BOTH  
COMEDIANS!

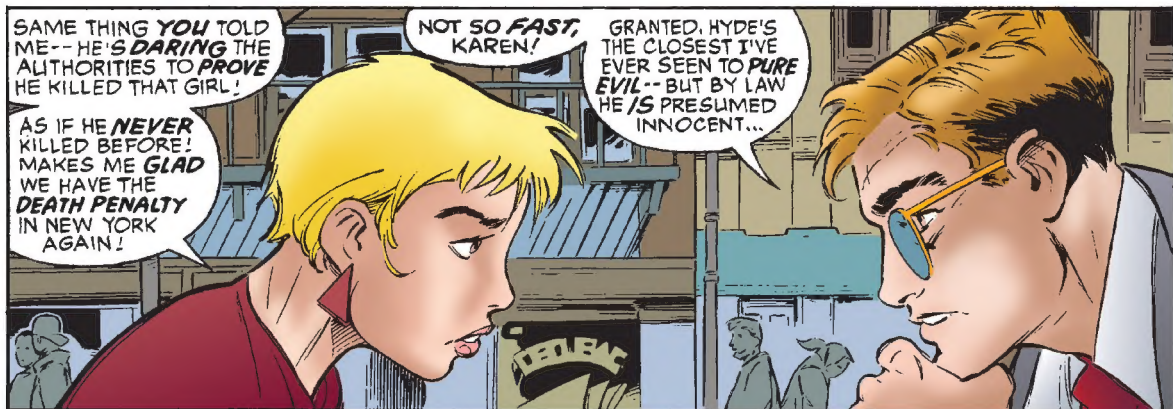


DEVIL'S FOOD CAKE...  
SHRIMP DIABLO...

ALL RIGHT, KAREN-- YOU WIN!  
I SURREN--



Hmmm. IS THIS TODAY'S  
PAPER? WHAT DOES IT  
SAY ABOUT HYDE?

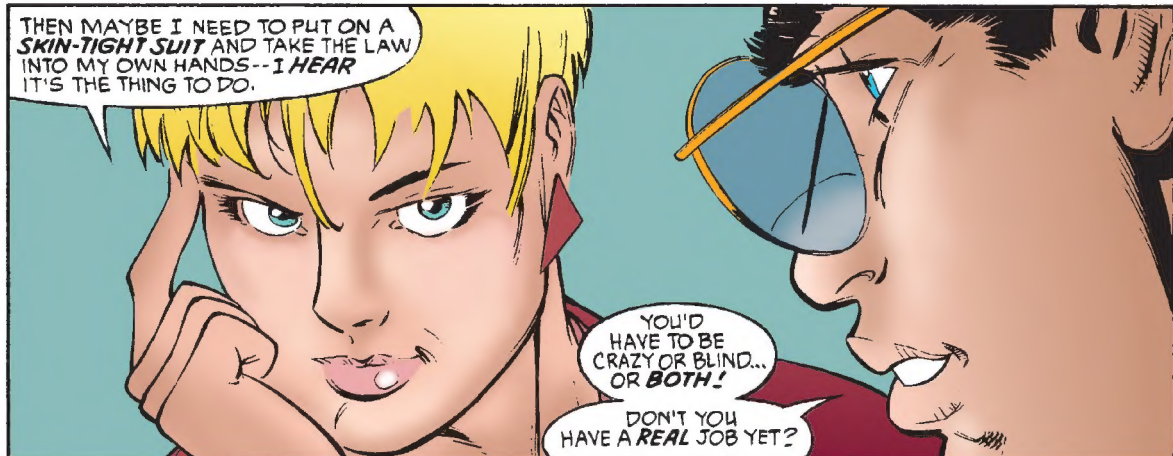


SAME THING YOU TOLD  
ME-- HE'S DARING THE  
AUTHORITIES TO PROVE  
HE KILLED THAT GIRL!

AS IF HE NEVER  
KILLED BEFORE!  
MAKES ME GLAD  
WE HAVE THE  
DEATH PENALTY  
IN NEW YORK  
AGAIN!

NOT SO FAST,  
KAREN!

GRANTED, HYDE'S  
THE CLOSEST I'VE  
EVER SEEN TO PURE  
EVIL-- BUT BY LAW  
HE IS PRESUMED  
INNOCENT...

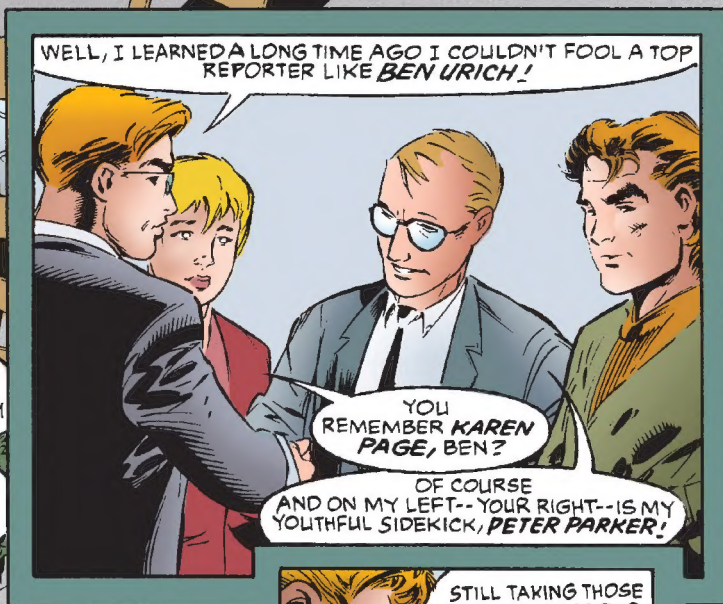
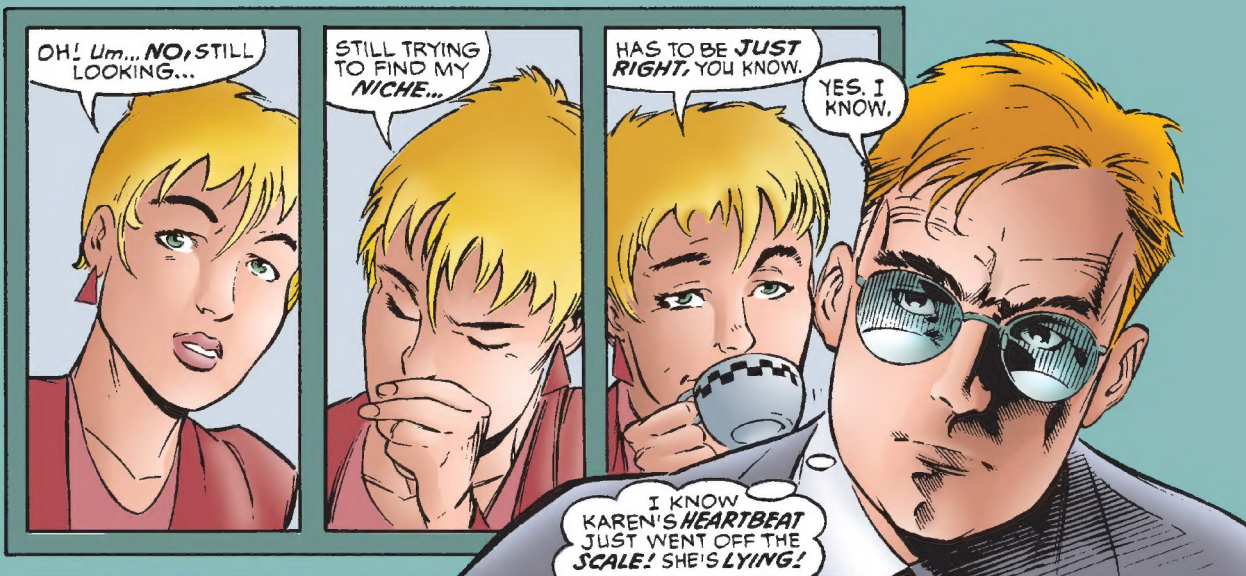


THEN MAYBE I NEED TO PUT ON A  
SKIN-TIGHT SUIT AND TAKE THE LAW  
INTO MY OWN HANDS-- I HEAR  
IT'S THE THING TO DO.

YOU'D  
HAVE TO BE  
CRAZY OR BLIND...  
OR BOTH!

DON'T YOU  
HAVE A REAL JOB YET?









IT'S NOT TOO DIFFERENT, EITHER, PETER-- THERE GOES SPIDER-MAN NOW!

WHAT---

ARE YOU CERTAIN THAT'S SPIDER-MAN, PETER?

YEAH. I MEAN, THE *COSTUME'S* DIFFERENT, BUT I'M SURE HE'S GOT A REASON...

...AND I'M SURE IT'S NOT *SIMPLE!* NOTHING IN SPIDEY'S LIFE IS, Y'KNOW!

YES. WELL...

CAN YOU *BELIEVE* IT? I JUST REMEMBERED AN *APPOINTMENT* I'M LATE FOR. YOU'LL HAVE TO *EXCUSE* ME...

HE'S GOING OFF TO CHANGE--

--TO *DAREDEVIL!* GOTTA --

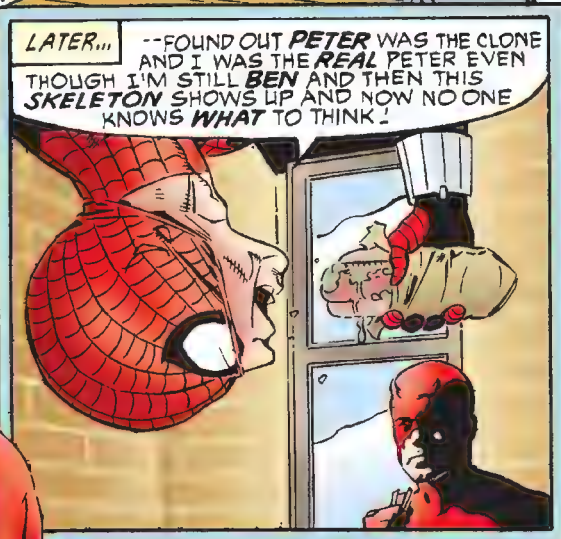
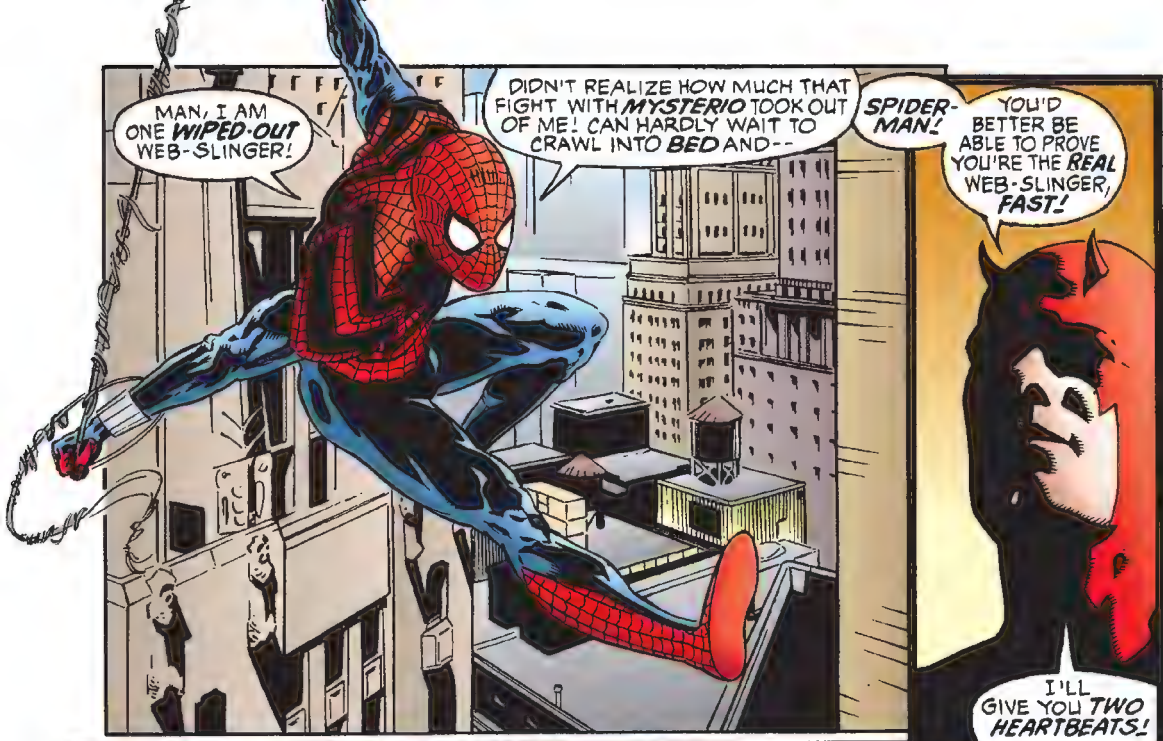
--COVER FOR HIM!

THAT MATT! *VERY* CIVIC-MINDED!

*ALWAYS* DOING PRO-BONO WORK FOR PEOPLE IN HELL'S KITCHEN!

WORD IS HE'S BARELY GOT TIME FOR *PAYING* JOBS!





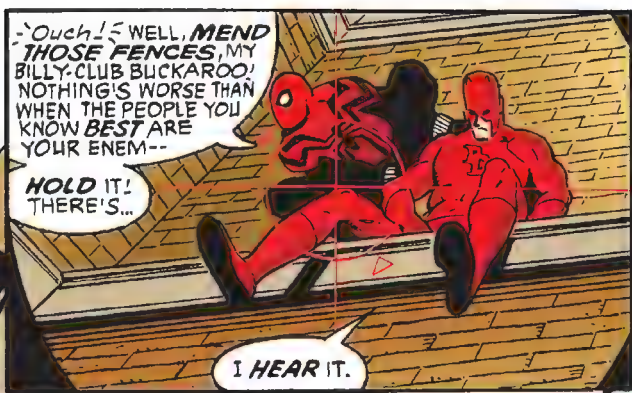




SO YOU'VE BEEN **BUSY**. THAT'S **GOOD!**

ALL I'VE DONE LATELY IS FAKE MY OWN **DEATH** AND WEAR SOME DIFFERENT **COSTUMES!**

OH--AND FOGGY FOUND OUT I'M **DAREDEVIL** AND THINKS I **LIED** TO HIM FOR YEARS... MAINLY BECAUSE I **DID!**



Ouch! WELL, MEND **THOSE FENCES**, MY BILLY CLUB BUCKAROO! NOTHING'S WORSE THAN WHEN THE PEOPLE YOU KNOW **BEST** ARE YOUR ENEM--

**HOLD IT!** THERE'S...

I HEAR IT.



...SOMETHING...

**SHOTGUN!**



I **HATE** IT WHEN YOU'RE **RIGHT!**





WHO  
IS IT--ONE  
OF MINE OR  
YOURS?

NEW  
HEARTBEAT  
COMING FROM  
BEHIND THAT  
**CHIMNEY** ON  
HIS WAY OUT  
TO SAY "HI!"

I'LL **FLIP** YOU  
FOR HIM. LAND ON  
YOUR **FEET**--HE'S  
YOURS. LAND ON  
YOUR **HEAD**--HE'S  
MINE.



**NO!** THIS  
AIN'T **NONE** OF  
SPIDER-MAN'S  
BUSINESS! HE  
STAYS **OUTTA**  
THIS!

I'M THE **SHOOTER**--  
AND I'M GONNA MAKE  
A **REP** BY TAKING OUT  
THE GUY WHO GAVE  
THE **KINGPIN** SO  
MUCH TROUBLE.

WHAT--YOU MEAN  
**DAREDEVIL**?

Y'KNOW, **I**  
FOUGHT THAT BIG  
BUTTERBALL LONG  
BEFORE DD  
DID.

EVERY  
ONE FORGETS  
I **MADE** THAT  
GUY!

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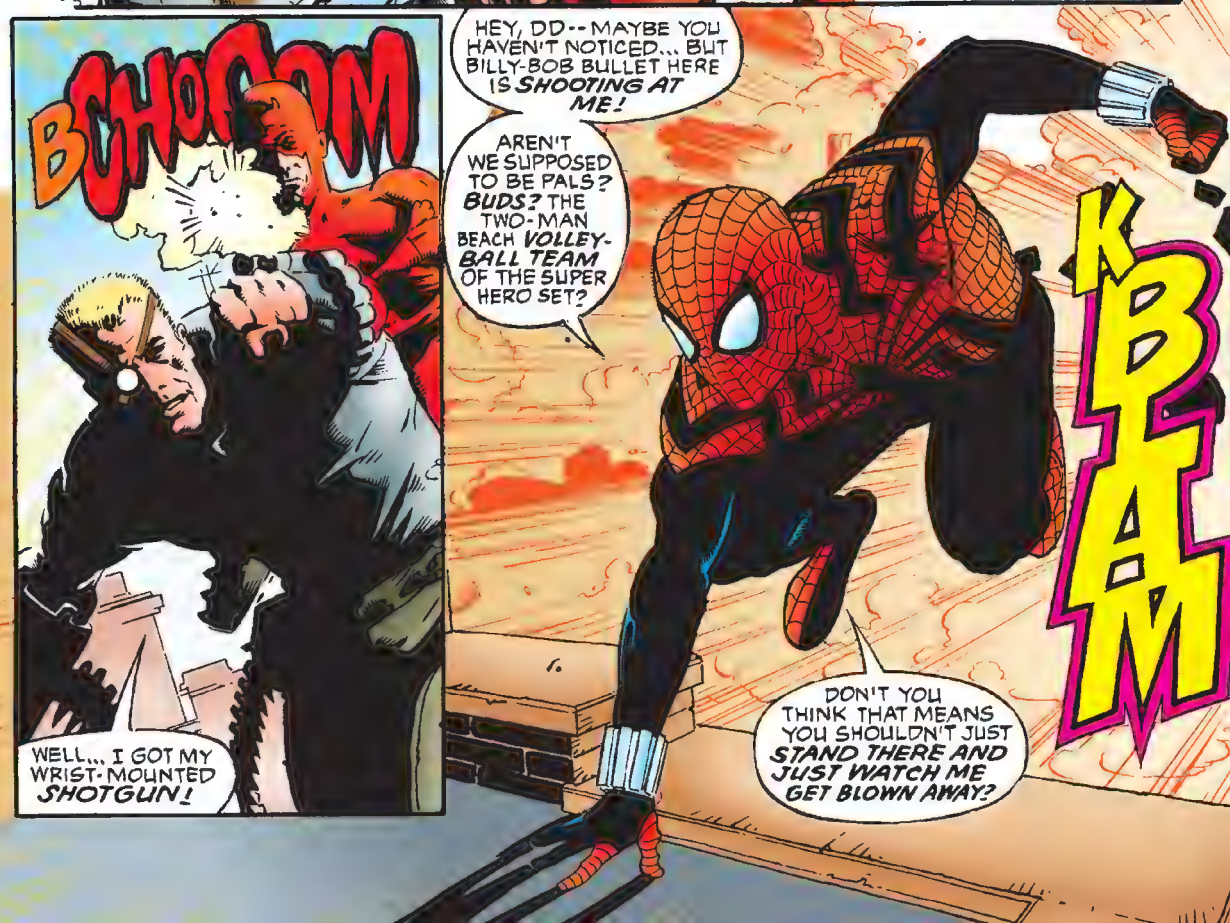
SPIDEY'S **RIGHT**.  
YOU'D GET A **MUCH**  
BIGGER REP BY  
KILLING **HIM** INSTEAD  
OF ME.



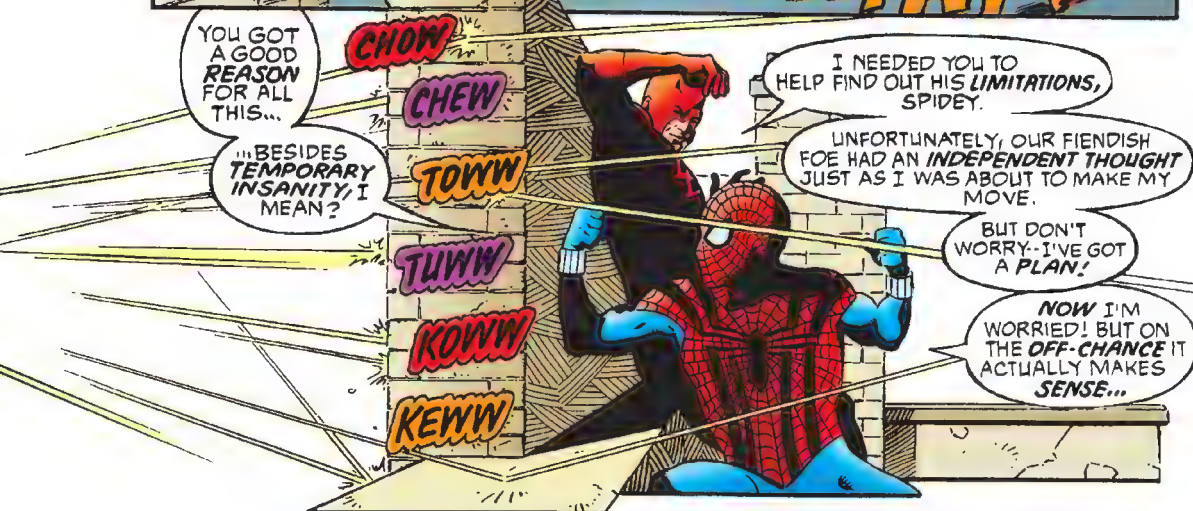
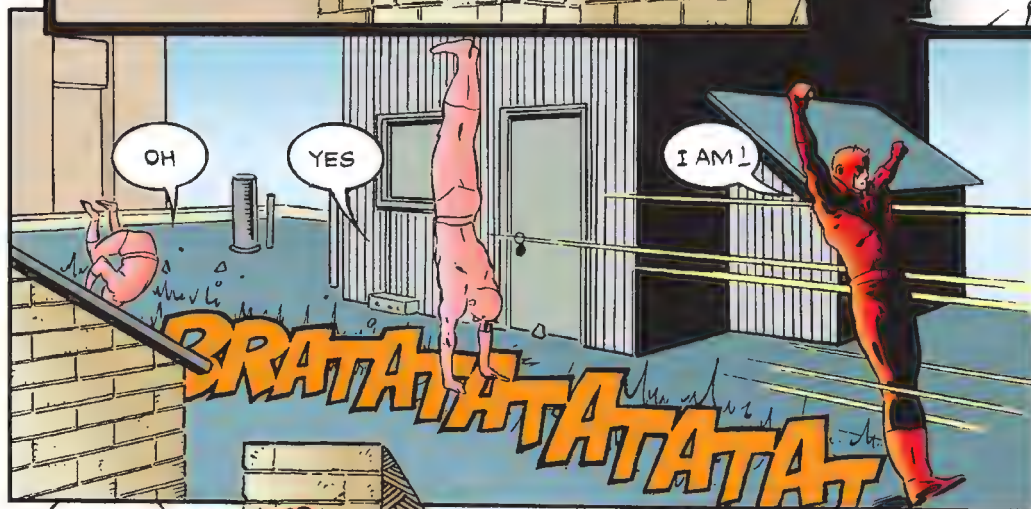
Um,  
WAITAMINUT...

LOCK :  
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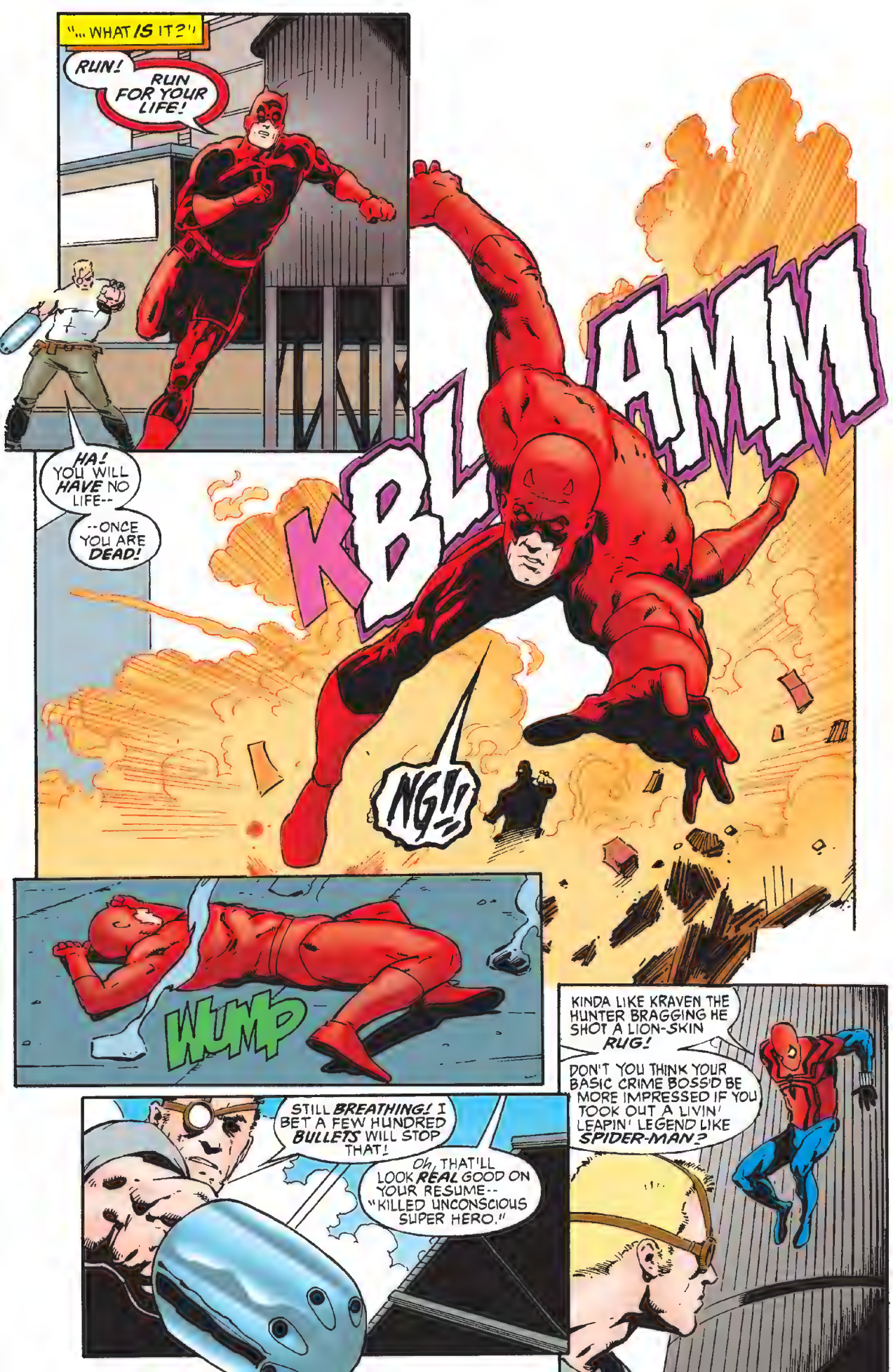












"...WHAT IS IT?"

RUN!

RUN  
FOR YOUR  
LIFE!

HA!  
YOU WILL  
HAVE NO  
LIFE--

--ONCE  
YOU ARE  
DEAD!

KBL

AMM

NG!!

WUMP

STILL *BREATHING*! I  
BET A FEW HUNDRED  
BULLETS WILL STOP  
THAT!

Oh, THAT'LL  
LOOK *REAL* GOOD ON  
YOUR RESUME--  
"KILLED UNCONSCIOUS  
SUPER HERO."

KINDA LIKE KRAVEN THE  
HUNTER BRAGGING HE  
SHOT A LION-SKIN  
RUG!

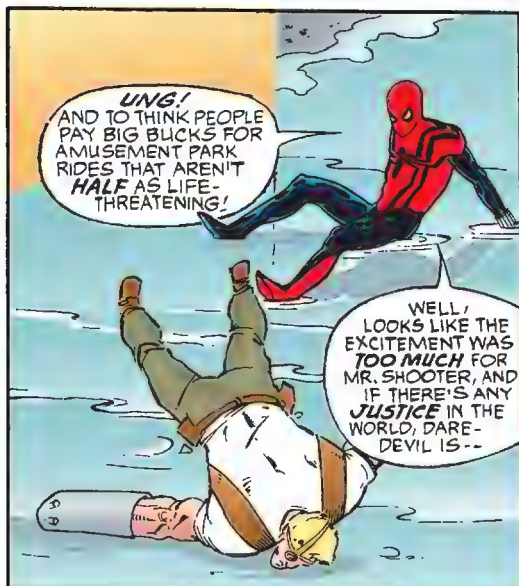
DON'T YOU THINK YOUR  
BASIC CRIME BOSS'D BE  
MORE IMPRESSED IF YOU  
TOOK OUT A LIVIN'  
LEAPIN' LEGEND LIKE  
SPIDER-MAN?











UNG!  
AND TO THINK PEOPLE  
PAY BIG BUCKS FOR  
AMUSEMENT PARK  
RIDES THAT AREN'T  
**HALF** AS LIFE-  
THREATENING!

WELL,  
LOOKS LIKE THE  
EXCITEMENT WAS  
**TOO MUCH** FOR  
MR. SHOOTER, AND  
IF THERE'S ANY  
**JUSTICE** IN THE  
WORLD, DARE-  
DEVIL IS--



--UP HERE,  
SPIDEY--HIGH AND  
DRY!

WASN'T THE PLAN  
TO **GET OUT OF THE**  
WAY ONCE YOU TRICKED  
HIM INTO BLASTING THE  
WATERTOWER?

WE COULD  
ALWAYS **REVIVE**  
HIM AND TRY IT  
AGAIN...

Y'KNOW  
**WHAT,**  
D.D?



YOU'RE  
**DESPICABLE!**



Hmmm...  
"THE **DESPICABLE**  
DAREDEVIL"--ALWAYS  
**WANTED** AN  
ADJECTIVE FOR  
MY NAME!

AND **SOMEONE'S**  
ALREADY TAKEN ALL THE  
**GOOD** ONES LIKE "AMAZING",  
"SPECTACULAR",  
"SENSATIONAL"...

LISTEN... IF IT MAKES  
YOU FEEL BETTER, I KNEW  
YOUR **SPIDER-SPEED** WOULD  
KEEP YOU **AHEAD** OF THOSE  
BULLETS.

AND IF  
IT DIDN'T... WELL,  
SPIDERS HAVE  
**EIGHT LIVES,**  
RIGHT?

**EIGHT**  
**LEGS!** SPIDERS  
HAVE **EIGHT LEGS--**  
**ONE LIFE!**



Y'KNOW, IF I HAD  
ANY SENSE, I'D **HIDE** EVERY  
TIME I SAW YOU! IT'D MAKE  
MY LIFE A **WHOLE LOT**  
EASIER!

'COURSE, THEN **YOU**  
NEVER WOULD'VE BEEN ABLE  
TO DISTRACT THE **SHOOTER.**

AND **YOU**  
WOULD'VE MISSED  
ONE GREAT **CHILI-**  
**DOG!**

COME TO THINK  
OF IT-- THAT'S HOW  
YOU KNOW I'M A  
**TRUE FRIEND,** SPIDEY.  
I SHARE THE **GOOD**  
TIMES...



"...AND THE  
BAD."

PLEASE--  
WITH WHAT I'M  
PAYING YOU, YOU  
CAN AFFORD ANY-  
THING EXCEPT  
EXCUSES!

MY  
NEW LAW  
OFFICE *WILL*  
BE OPEN AND  
READY FOR  
BUSINESS  
WITHIN THE  
WEEK...

... OR THE  
FIRST LAWSUIT I  
FILE IN THIS STATE  
MAY WELL BE AGAINST  
YOUR COMPANY,  
GENTLEMEN!

CONSIDER THIS  
ROSALIND SHARPE'S  
LITTLE PEP TALK TO  
GIVE YOU THE PROPER  
MOTIVATION.

EXCUSE ME--  
MS. SHARPE?

IS  
MS. SHARPE  
HERE?

MS. SHARPE?

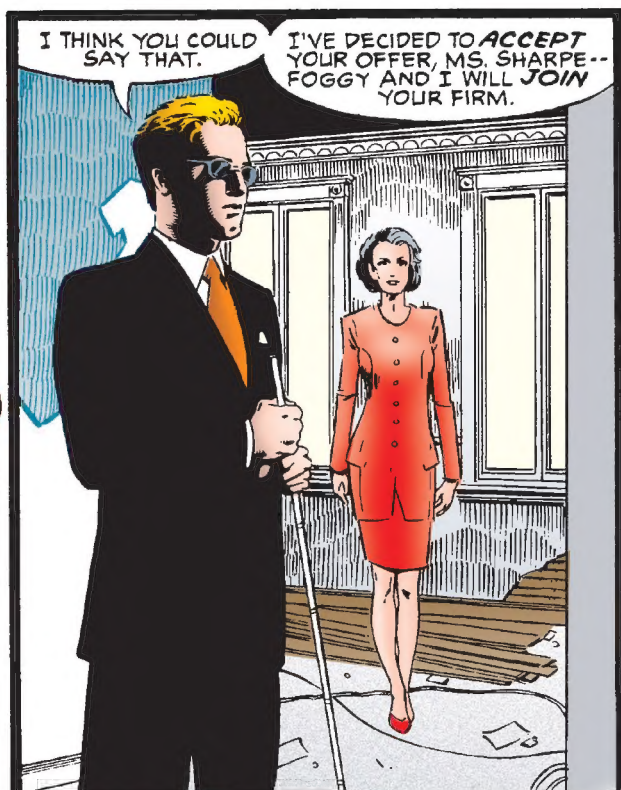
THAT'S STRANGE  
I COULD'VE *SWORN*  
I HEARD HER VOICE  
WHILE I WAS IN THE  
ELEVATOR AND I CAN  
STILL SMELL HER  
PERFUME...





Oh--MATTHEW!  
I'M AFRAID I WAS  
STUDYING SOME  
BLUEPRINTS AND  
DIDN'T HEAR YOU  
COME IN!

WHAT  
BRINGS YOU BY?  
GOOD NEWS, I  
HOPE.



I THINK YOU COULD  
SAY THAT.

I'VE DECIDED TO **ACCEPT**  
YOUR OFFER, MS. SHARPE--  
FOGGY AND I WILL **JOIN**  
YOUR FIRM.



I NEED MY  
OFFICE TO BE **AWAY** FROM  
THE HEAVILY TRAFFICKED  
AREAS, OF COURSE...

...AND FOGGY CAN  
**NEVER** FIND OUT THAT HIS  
PARTNERSHIP HINGED ON  
**MY** ACCEPTANCE!



DO WE HAVE AN  
**AGREEMENT?**

SHE'S PLAYING  
ANOTHER ONE OF  
HER GAMES.

TOO BAD  
SHE DOESN'T  
KNOW ABOUT  
**MY RADAR**  
**SENSE.**



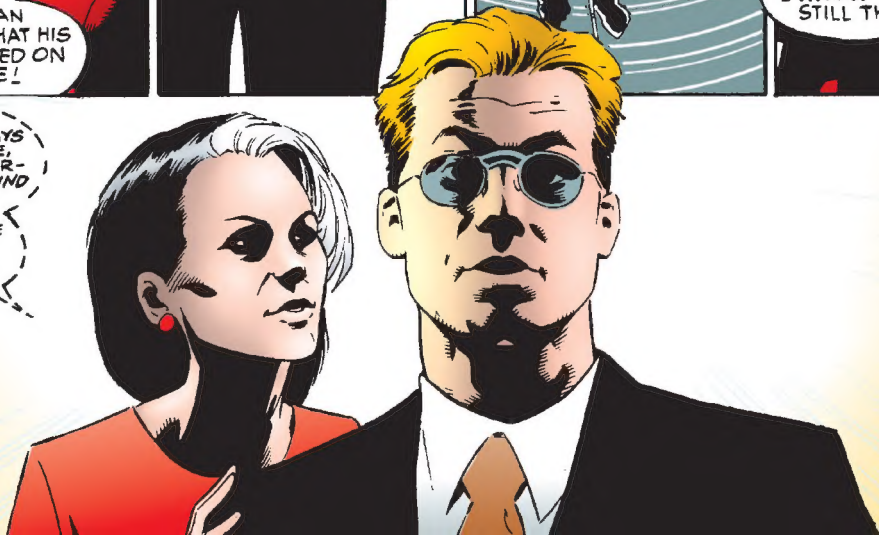
MS. SHARPE?

MS. SHARPE,  
I **KNOW** YOU'RE  
STILL THERE.



I'LL ALWAYS  
BE THERE,  
COUNSELOR--  
RIGHT BEHIND  
YOU!

WELCOME  
TO THE  
**FIRM!**







YOU MADE THE RIGHT CHOICE, MATTHEW.

YOU'RE ONE OF THE **BEST** LAWYERS I'VE EVER SEEN... BUT YOU MORE THAN ANYONE NEED SOMEONE TO WATCH YOUR BACK...

...SOMEONE A LITTLE MORE **CAPABLE** THAN FRANKLIN NELSON.

REMEMBER--THE LAW CAN BE A **VICIOUS** BUSINESS IF YOU GET ON THE **WRONG** SIDE OF CERTAIN PEOPLE.



I KNOW **EXACTLY** WHAT YOU MEAN, MS. SHARPE. THANKS FOR THE ADVICE.

NOW IF YOU'LL **EXCUSE** ME...

OH!!

WHACK



I'M SORRY, MS. SHARPE. MUST'VE **MISJUDGED** WHERE YOU WERE STANDING.

MAYBE YOU SHOULD LEARN TO STAY OUT OF MY **WAY**.

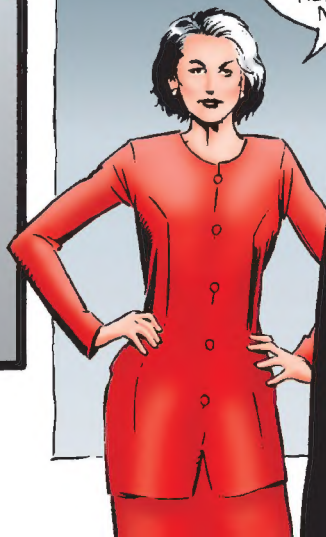
DON'T WORRY, MR. MURDOCK.

REST ASSURED I'LL **NEVER** FORGET THIS LITTLE LESSON!

OH, ONE LAST THING...


PERHAPS I ACTED A BIT **PREMATURELY**, BUT WITH THE **STRONG** FEELING YOU **WOULD** ACCEPT MY OFFER...

...I TOOK THE LIBERTY OF RECRUITING YOUR **FIRST** CLIENT AS A **JUNIOR** PARTNER IN THE FIRM OF SHARPE, NELSON AND MURDOCK.



I'M SURE YOU'VE **HEARD** OF HIM. HE'S BEEN IN **ALL** THE HEADLINES RECENTLY...





--WANT TO SEE  
MY LAWYER AND  
I WANT HIM HERE  
NOW!

I WAS  
TOLD HE'D GET ME  
ACQUITTED OF ALL  
CHARGES!

I WAS  
PROMISED THAT  
MATTHEW MYRDOCK  
COULD CONVINCE ANY  
JURY THAT HYDE WAS  
INNOCENT OF  
MURDER!

CONTINUED !